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Top Skills

Strategic Planning
Change Management
Policy

Languages

English (Native or Bilingual)

Certifications

Partner
Certified Conflict Dynamics Profile
Individual Assessment
Certified Workplace Mediator
Excellence in Government Fellow
Certified Trainer in Workplace
Conflict Resolution

Publications

Music Content / Compositions
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Stuart Aaron Ott

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Education
Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Summary

Welcome to my profile. I am a vision-driven, senior IT director with extensive experience in telecommunications technology. I am passionate about what I do because I have led teams in the transformation of government IT telecommunications programs and infrastructure for multiple divisions. I have a proven track record of leading cross-functional teams in the delivery of reliable, high-quality services to meet the needs of a diverse stakeholders. I also have a history of developing and implementing innovative solutions. I am recognized as an expert in strategic sourcing and large-scale contractual approaches, using service consumption and forecasting models. As a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, I have had the honor of working for the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. I know I am only as good as the teams I lead, so I take time to coach and mentor team members for career growth, As a result, I am able to create an environment of cohesion and team spirit with high levels of employee engagement and performance. My key areas of expertise include, but are not limited to. Program Management, Enterprise Network/Security Operations, IT Strategic and Long-Range Planning, Leadership, IT Acquisition / Strategic Sourcing, Business Continuity, Customer Relationship Management, Employee Development, Team Building, Project and Portfolio Management, Collaboration, and Communication. If you would like to discuss my skills and background, you will find my contact information in this profile. Thank you for reading it.

Experience

US Department of the Interior - Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs
Deputy Associate Chief Information Officer - Bureau of Indian Education
March 2022 - Present (1 year 8 months)
Reston, Virginia, United States

Serving as the Deputy Chief Associate Information Officer for the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE). The BIE employs thousands of teachers,

administrators, and support personnel across the United States in the service of providing Education to thousands of K-12 Native American children in 54 Bureau Operated Schools across 23 states.

- Successfully achieved the establishment of a new organization structure specifically designed to support the Bureau of Indian Education and its 54 Bureau Operated Schools.
- Implemented a standardized Learning Management System platform, deploying across the entire school system and integrated that system with the Bureau's Student Information System for data exchange between the two platforms
- Led infrastructure assessment efforts that provided the basis for an \$11.7M forklift upgrade of aging infrastructure equipment at Bureau Operated Schools
- Lead negotiations with Tribal governments on shared service agreements, particularly around broadband deployment and IT community engagement

U.S. Department of the Interior - OCIO Service Delivery Division / Telecommunications

16 years

Chief, Enterprise Infrastructure Services

2013 - March 2022 (9 years)

Reston, VA

Drove results for daily operations and led staff for Enterprise Data Networking, providing service to 70,000+ internal employees, and 30+ external agencies. Orchestrated all facets of enterprise transition to a \$1.5B telecommunications contract, while simultaneously enabling the modernization of the network. Identified/executed enterprise telecommunications initiatives to improve network performance/scalability and reduce costs. Maintained security, per Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014. Led interagency teams in identifying/removing regulatory barriers and increasing opportunities within the Broadband market in both the public and private sectors. Managed DOI telecommunications portfolio valued at more than \$ 750M. Managed annual \$70M Network Services operational budget. Ensured continual service to customers, while averaging 1,800 change requests and 25 in flight projects, per year.

- Led technical and financial aspects of planning during solicitation for the Enterprise Infrastructure Services Contract, valued at \$ 1.5B. Ensured compliance with the Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA)

- Established a consolidated Voice Communications Enterprise Service program and implemented Managed Broadband Service.
- Planned and executed Wi-Fi networking for the department's six-wing wing, seven-story office building with 400+ Wireless Access points and 120 Wireless Intrusion Detection systems.
- Played key role on President's Broadband Opportunity Council to improve access to broadband service in underserved areas. Eliminated redundant services for a cost savings of \$148K.
- Generated an average of \$1M in annual savings from the Department's Network Service Provider through consistent monitoring and management of the SLA process.
- Secured award for a Managed Broadband Fair Opportunity to provide services for DOI field locations, resulting in significant savings in DOI components.

Chief, Solutions Delivery Division

2011 - March 2013 (2 years)

Reston, VA

Led 10 federal employees and 16 contractors in the delivery of active directory and collaboration services in support of 85,000+ federal employees and contractors. Created vision, mission, and charter for cybersecurity policy implementation, using Business Process Re-engineering methods and tools. Secured allotments for Active Directory (\$9M), Collaboration (\$5M) and the DOI Access (\$10M). Implemented a Systems Development Life Cycle (SDLC) process to efficiently manage customer projects and requirements

- Delivered a consolidated SharePoint infrastructure with 700+ site collections for both internal and external customers.
- Achieved and maintained 95%+ success in implementing Domain Name System (DNS) Security controls for department's external facing web systems. Reduced external services from 115 to 92.

Deputy Division Chief, Enterprise Infrastructure Division

2006 - 2011 (5 years)

Reston, Virginia

Led and managed network operations, providing Wide Area Network (WAN) and Internet services to 70,000 employees throughout 2,400 locations. Provided security threat, vulnerability, and incident management, as well as traffic monitoring. Monitored encryption efforts for first responder radio communications across the southern border. Accomplished mission-securing communications from San Diego, CA to Brownsville, TX in 35 days.

Established Department of Interior / State Government agreements for Radio Systems interoperability, and secured federal / state sanctioned Spectrum Agreements. Created and executed the division's \$80M yearly working capital fund allotments for radio and spectrum services. Managed strategic sourcing, transparency, and consolidation of efforts.

- Drafted and negotiated a DOI Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Department of Justice's \$90M national capital region radio trunk system.
- Led price performance evaluations for \$140 million Network contract and resolved a post-award protest.
- Advised project managers on several projects, including a \$26M spectrum relocation project.

Bureau of Indian Affairs - , Office of the Chief Information Officer
5 years

Program Manager, Public Safety Technology Systems
2005 - 2006 (1 year)

Herndon, VA

Established consolidated, bureau-wide management office, supporting wireless communications for a comprehensive radio and spectrum operational framework. Developed Wireless Architecture, to include traditional, trunk, radio over internet protocol, and hybrid satellite frameworks, that served as a technical reference model. Performed site surveys for 155 radio tower sites across 10 regions to identify code violations, remediation costs, and asset reuse opportunities. Secured IT systems and data in the Risk Management Framework. Logged asset information on 76 Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement repeater / base station sites.

- Spearheaded emergency radio communication restoration efforts and provided equipment and personnel as part of the first community response, including the Red Lake School shootings and hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma.

Chief, Division of Telecommunication Services
2003 - 2005 (2 years)

Herndon, VA

Orchestrated area networks integration for Departmental Trust Bureaus into the TrustNet Architecture. Developed and implemented strategic plans, focused on weakness remediation and re-testing procedures and executed frequent TrustNet Network Vulnerability Assessments. Led staff in the

migration of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' 120 Node frame relay Wide Area Network, BIANet, to an integrated, standards based, VBNS+ wide area network environment. Administered a private layer two communication infrastructure. Completed transition within 30 days.

Director, Management Information Systems

2001 - 2003 (2 years)

Built, developed, and managed a centralized Network Operations Center that rendered a wide area network support, security monitoring, security posture testing, and incident response mitigation to 185 K-12 Indian Schools, 24 Tribally controlled community colleges and two Indian Universities. Direct support to over 5,000 Native American Children in socio-economically challenged areas.

Led directive efforts and facilitated the transition of the 220 Node Educational Native American Network – II (ENAN-II) from a private third party carrier to the General Services Administration's Federal Technology Services 2001 (FTS2001) contract vehicle —leveraged re-provisioning of all circuits and substantially decreased the number of satellite circuits from 68 to 11.

Education

Jacksonville University

BM, Music Composition and Theory · (1982 - 1987)